

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3302
ANSWERED ON:15.04.2002
NEYVELI LIGNITE CORPORATION
C. KRISHNAN;VAIKO

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of each projects under implementation by Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC);
- (b) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed;
- (c) the mining and power generation capacity of NLC at present;
- (d) whether there is any proposal for expansion of said capacity; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER FOR COAL AND MINES(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b) The following projects of NLC are under implementation at Neyveli, in Tamil Nadu as per details indicated against each:

Project	Capacity	Anticipated
completion of the project		

Mine I Expansion	4. Million Tonnes	April, 2003
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(6.5 MTPA to 10.5 MTPA)	Per Annum	
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Mine IA	3 Million Tonnes	March, 2003
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Per Annum		
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TPS I Expansion	420 MW(2 X 210	June, 2002
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(600 MW to 1020 MW)	MW)	
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(c) The present mining and power generation capacity of NLC is as under:

Mining :	17 Million Tonnes
of Lignite Per Annum	
Power Generation	2070 MW

(d) & (e) Yes, Sir. On implementation of the ongoing projects the mining and power generation capacity of NLC will get enhanced to 24 Million Tonne of Lignite Per Annum and 2490 MW per annum respectively.

NLC have planned to expand the capacity of Mine II (10.5 MTPA to 15 MTPA) and TPS II by addition of one unit of 500 MW for which NLC has submitted feasibility reports. The proposals have been considered by an Inter-Ministerial Group. However, taking up the project depends on obtaining the approval of the Government and other statutory clearances.

In addition, NLC plans to take up the following projects :

- a) Lignite Mine III (8 MTPA) at Neyveli.
- b) Thermal Power Station III (1000 MW) at Neyveli.
- c) Lignite Mine (2 MTPA) and Thermal Power Station (250 MW) in Rajasthan.
- d) Thermal Power Station (500 MW) under joint venture on refinery residue at Chennai.

